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## HOLD 2 YOUTHS IN COUNTY PRISON FOR SEVERAL THEFTS

Wm. Jacobs, 16, and Warren Sykes, 18, Both Charged With Junk Theft

### ONE AT COURT BEFORE

Boys Admit To Police That They Stole 200 Pounds Of Sash Weights

DOYLESTOWN, Mar. 30—Two Bucks county youths are in the Bucks County Prison awaiting the next term of criminal court because they wanted to become "big junk dealers."

They are William Jacobs, 16, and Warren Sykes, 18, a grandson of an Edison Justice of the Peace, both charged with the theft of junk that they sold to junk dealers.

State Police of the local sub-station and Chief of Police James Welsh arrested them. They told the officers that they wanted to make 100 percent profit on their sales.

One of the boys, Jacobs, was in the juvenile court before for stealing an automobile and was placed on probation.

The boys admitted to police that they stole 200 pounds of sash weights and sold them to a Doylestown township junk dealer. They did \$300 damage to the storage machine house of Charles L. Wilkinson, Rushland, where they dismantled a lot of machinery but were scared away. They also stole some iron from the National Farm School, near Doylestown, and sold it to a Doylestown junk dealer.

They were committed to the County Prison by Justice of the Peace Irvin M. James, of this place, in default of \$600 bail.

Trooper Felix R. Gowan, of the local sub-station of State Police, Chief of Police James Welsh and Constable A. R. Atkinson conducted the investigation which led to the arrest of the boys.

Trooper Gowan says the boys have confessed to the charges. He said the boys worked on the theory that if they stole the junk they would make 100 per cent profit.

On March 24, according to Trooper Gowan, about 6:30 p. m., Jacobs and Sykes stole about 200 pounds of new sash weights from the rear of the Barrett hardware store, South Main street, this borough. They sold the sash weights to a Doylestown township junk dealer, Trooper Gowan said, for considerably less than they are worth on the wholesale market.

The following day, March 25, it is alleged, the two boys went to the storage shed of Charles L. Wilkinson, Rushland. The men were not working that day because of a heavy rain. Inside the shed, Jacobs and Sykes started to dismantle a governor from a steam engine, worth \$150; dismantled a blower worth \$150, in addition to a water pump and other machinery causing damage. State Police say, to the extent of \$300.

Clifford Thatcher, employed by Wilkinson, noticed an automobile parked near the storage shed and also saw that the license was covered with a piece of newspaper. Thatcher walked over to the car, tore the newspaper, took the license number and turned it over to the police. It led to the arrest of Sykes and Jacobs, both of whom fled from the Wilkinson place, after they saw Thatcher take the number of the license plate.

Not scared sufficiently, however, Sykes and Jacobs, it is charged, continued their raids and on March 27, they stole about 1000 pounds of iron from National Farm School and sold it to a Doylestown junk dealer for \$5.

State police yesterday arrested two junk dealers in connection with the case, John Addis, proprietor of the Doylestown Junk Company, and Solomon Catz, Doylestown. The charge lodged was purchasing junk from minors. Hearings were held last night, each furnishing \$300 bail.

Father Hurt In Crash In Which Son Was Killed

Edward Ferris, 42, a former well-known resident of Bristol, was injured seriously, and his son, David, of Eureka, was killed Sunday when their truck collided with an automobile at Washington Lane and Lmekilin pike and overturned.

The elder Ferris was admitted to Germantown Hospital.

Mr. Ferris resided in Bristol for a number of years and married Miss Helen Keys, also a Bristol resident.

### TRAILER COLONY INCREASES

The second trailer has been added to Bristol's trailer colony which is parked opposite the plant of Fleetwings, Inc., North Radcliffe street.

### MARKS BIRTHDAY

Mrs. David Hutchinson entertained members of her club at her home on Thursday evening. The affair also was a surprise marking Mrs. Harry Cutton's birthday anniversary. Those attending: Mrs. M. Shatzer, Mrs. R. Sutton, Mrs. R. Deitrick, Mrs. H. Sutton, Jr., Mrs. A. Ludwig.

Name H. J. Rosenberger  
President of Lumbermen

DOYLESTOWN, Mar. 30—The Bucks County Unit of the Middle Atlantic Lumbermen's Association met at the Doylestown Inn last evening, at which time election of officers took place.

H. John Rosenberger, of this borough, was named president to succeed Louis C. Leedom, Yardley. David Watson, Newtown, was elected vice president; and C. Burnley White, Cornwells Heights, was re-elected secretary.

Members of this organization, which was perfected in 1915, were addressed by Robert A. Jones, field secretary of the Middle Atlantic Lumbermen's Association. He dwelt upon the new project sponsored by the Federal Housing Act for low cost demonstration homes, which are designed to meet the needs of moderate incomes.

### ERECTING ELECTRIC LINES IN RURAL SECTIONS

More Than 400 Miles of Distribution Lines Being Built In Three Counties

### 70 MILES COMPLETED

More than 400 miles of distribution lines to provide rural territory in the Greater Philadelphia area with electric service are now under construction, according to an announcement by the Philadelphia Electric Company. The 1937 budget of the company has allotted funds for this work and calls for completion of the program without delay. Already 70 miles of these lines have been completed.

In areas aggregating ninety square miles in Bucks, Montgomery and Chester counties, crews of the Philadelphia Electric Company are actively at work, ditching, erecting poles, stretching wires and solving many a knotty problem as they go. They are carrying facilities for electric service to the farm and rural dwelling, with lights, electric ranges, electric water heaters, electric refrigerators, radios, water pumps and other modern appliances being made available to more than five thousand persons.

The area covered by the proposed construction represents less than 6 per cent of the territory served directly by the Philadelphia Electric Company. The remainder of the territory already has had access to service because conditions involving density of population and accessibility made earlier construction feasible.

The plan provides for service extension within the premises of each customer, where necessary, for a nominal distance of 100 feet. This is done to take care of construction from the highway or distribution line to the home of the customer.

The present step represents a broadening of our extension of service which has been going on for years," it is pointed out by William H. Taylor, president of the company. "Our aim has always been to make extensions as rapidly as conditions made possible.

"Our purpose in establishing our broad rural extension plan has been to make electricity available to owners of farms and rural dwellings on terms within their reach.

"Studies have shown that a minimum monthly revenue for each mile of distribution line is feasible. With an average of four users per mile, the average minimum monthly charge becomes three dollars per customer. For this the customer receives three dollars worth of current at the scheduled rate.

"It should be borne in mind, in considering the problem of rural electrification, that not every one is in a position immediately to take the service, even when it is made easily available. We have provided, however, that in all cases where three-fourths of the potential customers on a proposed line have signed contracts for service, the construction is to be started."

Changes effected in farm life are illustrated by the types of appliances installed. Beginning with lights, the rural customer usually proceeds, where possible, to a water pump, then a radio, range, refrigerator, washer, ironer, sweater, and, as circumstances may permit, to such important farm aids as feed cutters and motors for other necessary apparatus.

## Honor Roll This Week

Here are the Twenty Leading Babies, as of March 27th. As previously announced there will be Twenty Prize Winning Babies elected April 24th. Help your favorite baby to get or remain on the Honor Roll for the next vote publication.

This Week's Standing	Last Week's Standing	This Week's Standing	Last Week's Standing
1 Marie Pierro	4	11 Bobby Sutton	12
2 Kenneth Hibbs	16	12 Beverly Ann Bintiff	17
3 George Schumaker	1	13 Billy Smyrl	9
4 Dorothy Keers	18	14 Ernest Mari	6
5 Jeanne Harris	2	15 Joan Harmsen	41
6 Harry Robinson	7	16 Gladys Yorty	13
7 Kay Crawford	5	17 Harold Loud	8
8 Lorraine Bobbs	3	18 Patricia Phipps	26
9 Geraldine Baker	10	19 Joan VanZant	28
10 David Johnson	11	20 Irene Banes	31

### EIGHT-CASE DECREASE SHOWN ON RELIEF ROLL

Total of 551 Cases Are Now Being Aided by Emergency Relief Board

### CLOSINGS ARE FEW

During the week ending March 20, Bucks County's direct relief rolls showed a decrease of 8 cases, or 36 persons, over the previous week. A total of 511 cases, or 1,987 persons, are now being aided by the Emergency Relief Board, as compared with 519 cases, or 2,023 persons, carried on the rolls last week.

At the same time, however, it was observed that this decrease in the caseload did not occur as a result of any notable gain in the number of cases being removed from the rolls. In fact, only about one-half as many closings were registered this week as compared with the previous week, i.e. 27 as contrasted with 57. This drop in the number of closings may be attributed almost entirely to the reduction in the number of cases transferred from direct relief to the Works Program.

It can be observed in the summary tabulation of the weekly changes given in the table below, that this decrease in closings was offset by a somewhat proportional decline in the number of new and former relief cases added to the rolls. Thus, the total openings amounted to only 19 cases, as compared with 30 cases last week.

The following is a list of the following on Page Three

### CASES OPENED

1 Loss of WPA employment ..... 7

### CASES CLOSED

1 Assignment to Works Projects ..... 10

### NUMBER OF CASES

1 Employment in private industry ..... 13

### OTHER REASONS

1 Other reasons—resources, increased earnings, etc. ..... 4

### TOTAL CLOSINGS

1 Total Closings ..... 27

### NUMBER OF CASES

1 Cases Opened ..... 19

### NUMBER OF PERSONS

1 Cases Persons ..... 39

At present ..... 511 1,987

Week ago ..... 519 2,023

Month ago ..... 533 2,693

Year ago ..... 997 3,550

There were three (3) Boroughs and three (3) Townships with no cases on the direct relief rolls for this week.

Boroughs: Dublin, Silverdale, Telford. Townships: Newtown, Northampton, U. Southampton.

The following is a list of the following on Page Three

### GUESTS OF RELATIVES HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Prael and son William, Emilie, were Saturday guests

of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Prael, Wood

Street.

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### Annual Easter Monday Card Party Well Attended

The annual Easter Monday card party, under auspices of St. Mark's Church, was held last evening in the auditorium on Radcliffe street. The attendance was large. Beautiful prizes were awarded to the winners, and refreshments were served.

The highest scores in pinochle were attained by: Samuel LaRosa, \$20; Miss Margaret Roarty, \$09; Carl F. Winch, \$79; J. Murray, \$71; Miss Margaret Oliver, \$63.

"500": Mrs. F. Nealis, \$110; Miss Elizabeth Cunningham, \$110; Miss Esther Boyle, \$580; Mrs. McCauley, \$370; Bridge: J. Dunn, \$243; Miss Mary McIlvaine, \$184; Miss M. McCole, \$183; Miss Veronica R. Dugan, \$135.

### CONTRIBUTIONS BEING RECEIVED BY CADETS

Drive for Funds for Re-Equipping Corps Is Now In Full Swing

### HAVE \$63 TO DATE

(Second in a series of articles by Citizens' Publicity Committee)

The drive which is sponsored by the local American Legion Post, to raise funds to be used in re-equipping the Cadet Bugle Corps, is now in full swing and contributions are beginning to come in. Following are those received to date:

Clifford L. Anderson ..... \$25.00

R. E. Bellam, Brookline ..... 10.00

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pfeifer ..... 7.00

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hetherington ..... 5.00

Paul Fraser, Sellersville ..... 5.00

Dr. Frank Lehman ..... 3.00

David Norman ..... 3.00

Paul Sine, Perkasie ..... 2.00

John H. Brehm ..... 1.00

Friend ..... 1.00

Caleb Cope, Morrisville ..... 1.00

\$63.00

An interesting letter was received by Johnston Hetherington, from a gentleman who resides in Brookline, Delaware County, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hetherington:—

Perhaps, as an outsider, although a Legionnaire, who has seen the Bristol boys perform, I am over-stepping the limits of propriety when I want to make a voluntary contribution toward the good work you are doing with these youngsters. It has been told me by a friend of yours, you are at this time making a special effort to have the good people of Bristol make it possible for you to continue with this boys' work and although I am quite removed

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### FAVORITE BABY ELECTION TAKES ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE AT HEAD OF CURRENT EVENTS HERE; ADDED PRIZE IS INCENTIVE

With changes in the Honor Roll—Roll standings are perused, and the many changes noted; some babies have lost coveted positions, while, of course, other little beauties have gained new prominence in the listings—which indicates lively action this week, when some deserving young hopeful will be enriched by \$25.00 cash, to be awarded the baby polling the greatest number of votes, both merchant and subscription votes counting. This special prize will be awarded immediately after the week's votes are tabulated, and the winner's name will be published along with the new standings next Tuesday.

Every baby starts on even and equal terms for this special prize, and it gives each baby the opportunity of building up a big vote total for the title of "THE COMMUNITY'S FAVORITE BABY," the \$500 cash prize, the Silver Loving Cup, also the opportunity of earning this added \$25.00.

Any baby entered in the election—whether active right now or not—may win this special prize.

Every baby in the list has the same

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## THE ISSUE IS PLAIN

As witness after witness appears before the Senate Judiciary Committee to explode Roosevelt's original pretension that additional justices were necessary to relieve the pressure on the overburdened Supreme Court, it must be clear to all that the only issue in this Supreme Court proposal which emanated from the White House is White House—that is to say, Roosevelt—control of the highest court.

Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes blasted what doubt may have persisted in the minds of some who couldn't believe it of Roosevelt. In his sane analysis of the proposal, submitted by letter to the Senate committee, the Chief Justice showed clearly that packing the Supreme Court with six additional justices would retard its work. Roosevelt's first excuse for the scheme was, of course, that additional justices were necessary to "expedite" the work of the court.

The Chief Justice showed the charge that the Supreme Court is behind in its work to be a lie, regardless of how high its source.

The truth is, of course, that the Supreme Court of the United States is not behind in its work, and has not been since William Howard Taft became Chief Justice fifteen years ago.

The decisions of the Supreme Court have been infallibly hewn to the Constitution. Take the case of the lamented NRA—truly dubbed the National Racketeers' Association. The NRA was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court by unanimous decision.

If there was ever a crack-brained scheme for sovietizing the United States, the NRA was it. For two years, while the crackpots snored, delved and snelled around in other people's business, business recovery was at a standstill. People were sent to jail for ignoring the edicts of this outfit. Prices were raised artificially to the consumer, employers were harassed, the U. S. was about to be sovietized.

Then the Supreme Court stepped in and, by unanimous decision, threw this New Deal outlaw racket out the window.

Within thirty days business recovery started, despite the gloomy prediction by Roosevelt that we were about to return to horses and buggies.

Many similar instances might be cited in which the Supreme Court has stood for America against un-American attempts on the liberties of the people. The Supreme Court will continue to protect the rights of minorities and the majority as long as it remains a free and independent branch of the Federal Government.

The Supreme Court will not protect the rights of either minorities or the majority if it is packed with new members as proposed by Roosevelt. Thenceforth it will protect only the crackpot schemes that emanate from On High.

Buffalo's ban on kissing has been lifted. There were so many exceptions for medicinal purposes, little was being accomplished.

In his latest, Arliss appears in a double part. There have been fears right along that, playing so many historical roles, he would eventually meet himself.

A condition arises in which some of the chic millinery is barely larger than the price tag.

## INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS OF NEARBY TOWNS

## HULMEVILLE

Death, on Sunday evening, claimed Mrs. Mathilda Illick, wife of Walter Illick, at her residence in Upper Black Eddy. Mrs. Illick had been in ill health for several months. The deceased, who frequently visited relatives here, is survived by her husband, her mother, and one brother. The funeral service will be held on Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock, at the late home of the deceased, with interment in Stone Harbor, N. J.

Richard D. Comly, Mt. Joy, was a week-end visitor of his parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Robert H. Comly. Miss Frances Comly, who enjoyed the Easter holidays with her parents, returned to Lancaster on Monday after a week's visit here.

Relatives in the borough were visited on Saturday by Mrs. William Engle and son "Billy," Doylestown, and William K. Harrison, Queenstown, Md.

Charles Afflerbach, Sr., passed the week-end in Bethlehem, where he was the guest of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynn.

## CROYDON

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## B. H. S. GYM TEAM TIES BLOOMSBURG FOR 2ND PLACE IN MEET FOR TITLE OF EASTERN PENNA.; SCORE 413 POINTS

By Louis Tomlinson

Pottsville High School, with no less than 16 entrants in the Regional P. I. A. A. gymnastic meet for the title of Eastern Pennsylvania, easily swept the meet to take the title with a total of 679 points. Bristol and Bloomsburg tied for second with a total of 413 while Upper Darby placed third with 169 points.

The Eastern champions scored three out of six firsts, placed seven of their sixteen entrants and qualified 11 out of 16 for the state finals. Two of their entrants placed on both pieces in which they were entered. They were Zimmerman who took the horizontal bar event with a total of 65 points and placed third on the mats with 53; Kirk takes a second and third, scoring 53 on the horizontal bar, and 51 on the parallel bars for these positions respectively. Zimmerman was high individual scorer with a final total of 123 points while his teammate, Kirk, was second high with 109. Still a third member of the same team placed third in individual scoring by scoring 107 points. He was Willard who won the parallel bar event with 58 points and fifth on mats with 49.

The only other individual to tally over a hundred points was a lone star from Lancaster, Leister, who won the tumbling event with a score of 64, and who placed eighth with a 42 total on the rings. However, Thackara of Bloomsburg with a 51 on the parallel bars which tied him for second, and his 47 on the rings which tied him for fifth gave him a final score of 98.

Of the Bristol entrants, all qualified for the state finals, giving the Cardinals ten entrants for the State College meet next week. Harry Hinman and Carman Mignoni together with Hower of Bloomsburg all tied for first place with a 32 total. Outside of this, John Vandenberg's 52 score on the horizontal bar placed him third in this event. Although all the rest qualified for the state final as aforementioned, none of the rest were medal winners this week.

Dick Doyle disappointed by scoring only 43 for fifth place on the high bar, and just barely managed to tie for sixth place on the parallel bars with a low 33 score. Bill Gallagher and Bill Mignoni both placed fourth on their respective pieces, the mats and horse, with scores of 54 and 49 respectively. George DeLong with a 44 total came in fourth on the high bar, while George Brown placed fifth on horse and tied for sixth on mats with respective scores of 41 and 33.

Having so many more entrants in the meet than all the other schools gave the champions a tremendous advantage over all opposition. They had three entrants on all pieces except the Indian Clubs and the mats.

And with only eight entrants on the horse and seven in the Indian club events one can readily see that it didn't take much of a score to qualify for the state meet. At the same time these entrants all added to the winners' score, however small their total was. These same scores may also mean a lot to them at the final meet this Saturday. For instance such low scores as 17 qualified one individual on the Indian Club event while an equally low score of 31 qualified another on the horse.

With only seven in the Indian Club event, one had to qualify no matter how low their score be. The same was true on the horse in which there were only eight entrants, three of which were from Pottsville, necessitating at least one to win no matter how low their score be. And that is precisely what happened in both of these events. The winners fared poorly in both events coming out 6th and 7th in the clubs and 6th, 7th and 8th on the horse, all with low scores.

This is no alibi, but when these little scores are added with all the other scores combined for the team they add up greatly to the final total. They will also aid their score next week.

On the other hand, Bristol was handicapped without an entrant on the rings, and only one on the parallel bars. The same was true of Bloomsburg, who had only one entrant on each of the horizontal bar, mats, and the Indian clubs. However, they had at least one entrant in every piece.

Harry Hinman and Carman Mignoni placed first in a three cornered tie with Hower of Bloomsburg, in the first event, the Indian clubs, each scoring 32. Galehaff of Williamsport with 30, Simon of West Chester with 19, and Seitz of Pottsville with 17 finished 4th, 5th and 6th respectively.

On the high bar, Zimmerman easily captured the laurels with a 65 score, the highest individual score on one piece. His teammate, Kirk, came in second with 58, while Vandenberg of Bristol took third with a 52. Other qualifiers were DeLong and Doyle of Bristol who were 4th and 5th with scores of 44 and 43. Velej, of Bloomsburg placed 6th with a 41 total.

The horse, besides the Indian Clubs, was the only other piece in which Pottsville failed to place in the first three. In this event their entrants finished 6th, 7th and 8th out of eight entrants, thus they had to qualify one entrant. And he was Hostler, who finished 6th with 31 points. Wilmer Lowe of Bloomsburg, captured the event with a score of 58. Clark of Upper Darby, District One champ, took second with a 51. Third place went to Robinson of Bloomsburg who just nosed out Bill Mignoni of Bristol for that position by one point, 50-49. Brown of Bristol came in fifth with a 41 total.

Pottsville also won the parallel bar

stars in playing a concert for the shut-ins at Wilkes-Barre Hospital alone is worth a \$10.00 bill. I say this because when I was laid up a number of years ago, I would have enjoyed hearing and seeing them, but did not have that privilege.

As a stranger to you I wish you continued success in your efforts and my little mite of \$10.00 here-with enclosed, is just a token of appreciation.

Yours very truly,

E. R. BELLAM

Letters containing contributions have been received from residents of Sellersville and Perkasie. If people outside of the town appreciate the services of the Cadet Corps so much that they want to help in making the drive a success, how much more should the citizens of Bristol, who know personally what a splendid and efficient organization this Bugle Corps really is, and what a credit it has become to the town, be willing to contribute to this fund which will be used for such a laudable purpose. Does it seem fair that the townspersons who derive so much benefit and pleasure from the Bugle Corps, should assume a passive attitude, and expect the American Legion Post to bear all the expense? To the contrary, civic pride should inject into the heart of every citizen, a desire to contribute something to this praiseworthy object, which means much to maintenance of a community spirit and pride in the accomplishments of our local boys.

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